

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 312

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Referred to Committee on COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Introduced by: (KID)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROTECTION OF PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE CHILDREN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (Effective from passage) (a) The Commissioner of Children
- 2 and Families, in consultation with the Office of Early Childhood, the
- 3 Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the Department
- 4 of Public Health, the Office of the Child Advocate and the child fatality
- 5 review panel, established pursuant to subsection (b) of section 46a-131*l*
- 6 of the general statutes, shall conduct a study regarding the current
- 7 policies and procedures used to protect particularly vulnerable
- 8 children in the state from unexpected death or critical injury.
- 9 (b) Not later than January 1, 2016, the Commissioner of Children
- and Families shall submit a report, in accordance with section 11-4a of
- 11 the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General
- 12 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children, judiciary,
- 13 human services and public health. Such report shall (1) address the
- 14 effectiveness of current policies and procedures used to protect
- 15 particularly vulnerable children in the state from unexpected death or
- 16 critical injury, and (2) provide recommendations for any

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17 administrative or legislative action necessary to better protect such

18 children.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

| Section 1 | from passage | New section |
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Statement of Purpose:

To require the Commissioner of Children and Families, in consultation with the Office of Early Childhood, the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the Department of Public Health, the Office of the Child Advocate and the child fatality review panel, to conduct a study regarding the current policies and procedures used to protect particularly vulnerable children in the state from unexpected death or critical injury.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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